

PATENT APPLICATION

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In re application of

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For: POWER CABLE COMPRISING AT LEAST A NANOCOMPOSITE COMPONENT
COATING LAYER

SUPPLEMENTAL PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please enter the following amended claims:

1. (Three times amended) A power cable comprising: FIG 4a & 4b

a conductive material core; and

at least one covering layer, characterized in that said at least one covering layer is constituted essentially of a material comprising an inorganic compound made from a nanocomposite material and an organic compound positioned between layers of said inorganic compound.

8. (Three times amended) A power cable according to claim 1, wherein the at least one covering layer comprises an insulative material layer constituted essentially of a nanocomposite